Miami Dade County

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LEGISLATIVE ANALYSIS

Tuesday, May 18, 2004 2:00 PM Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners

Public Safety Committee



ITEM 3(A) RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MANAGER TO SEEK RECLASSIFICATION OF THOSE PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ENROLLED IN ACADEMY CLASSES FOR THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT BETWEEN OCTOBER 1, 1978 AND JULY 1, 1984 AS SPECIAL RISK FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$100,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Commissioner Natacha Seijas

ITEM 8(B) REPORT ON SPECIAL RISK RETIREMENT CREDITS

County Manager

I. SUMMARY

Item 3(A) is a resolution proposing that the County Manager seek to correct the Florida Retirement System (FRS) classification of Miami-Dade Police Department personnel in the police academy during the specified period (10/1/78-7/1/84). During this period, police and corrections personnel only received special risk retirement credit if they were already certified.

Item 8(A) is a County Manager's report on the subject that indicates that estimates the potential cost to correct the classification for police and corrections personnel to exceed the funds authorized in the proposed resolution (\$940,000 estimated by County Manager vs. \$100,000 proposed.)

II. PRESENT SITUATION

Commencing July 1, 1984, Florida Statutes were changed to provide special risk retirement credit for police and corrections personnel who are required to be certified. The provision was not retroactive.

III. POLICY CHANGE AND IMPLICATION

Affected police and corrections officers are negatively impacted by not receiving FRS special risk retirement credit while in the academy and are being differently than their peers who went through the academy either before or after them.

IV. ECONOMIC IMPACT

Fiscal impact including interest may be higher than \$100,000 authorized in Item 3(A).

V. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

The County could propose the State waive interest payments in the interest of fairness
to the many police and corrections officers, statewide, who will be differentially
compensated in retirement because of a past flaw in State Statutes.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY U.S. FIRE ACT GRANT FUNDS FOR THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS BUREAU; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE MODIFICATIONS, ACCEPT AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISION CONTAINED THEREIN

Fire Rescue Department

I. SUMMARY

This resolution proposes to retroactively authorize a grant for \$72,730 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for purchase and installation of 5,000 smoke detectors in low income, high risk Miami-Dade County homes. A 30% (\$31,170) local match is required and is budgeted by Fire Rescue Department (MDFR) in their FY 2004-2005 budget proposal.

II. PRESENT SITUATION

These funds will enable expansion of MDFR's smoke detector programs by the purchase and installation of 5,000 smoke detectors, including specialized detectors for the hearing impaired.

III. POLICY CHANGE AND IMPLICATION

The program will be coordinated through the MDFR Community Affairs who will coordinate installation with MDFR personnel and volunteers from AmeriCorps and the Greater Miami Service Corps.

IV. ECONOMIC IMPACT

MDFR identified Homestead, Liberty City and Richmond Heights/Perrine as areas in need because many residents cannot afford to privately install smoke detectors.

FEMA Grant \$72,730

Local Match \$31,170 (MDFR FY 2004-2005)

Project Total \$103,900

Average cost per smoke detector:

\$20.78 (installed)

Total project overhead & labor:

\$15,400.00 (14.8%)

Total project equipment & supplies:

\$88,500.00 (85.2%)

V. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

The Grant Agreement appended to this **Item** (handwritten p. 8) identifies the period of performance to be April 2, 2004- April 1, 2005, but MDFR indicates FEMA has agreed to amend the period to October 1, 2004-September 30, 2005 in the Final Award.

The last paragraph of the Grant Agreement (handwritten p. 10) indicates an additional \$47,000 of MDFR's application was not approved, but MDFR indicates the denied funds do not impact the smoke detector project.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR FEDERAL FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, THROUGH THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM, IN THE FORM OF A FUNDING INITIATIVE TO SUPPORT THE FLORIDA'S ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM KNOWN AS INTOXILYZER 8000 - PHASE 1, WHICH IS BEING COORDINATED BY THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AND WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE INTOXILYZER 8000 INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT; AND AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MANAGER TO RECEIVE, EXPEND, AND EXECUTE THE TONECESSARY AMENDMENTS AGREEMENTS, ANDCONTRACT. APPLICATION

Police Department

I. SUMMARY

This is a proposal to retroactively approve application for \$94,500 in federal funds administered by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) for the first phase of purchase of new mobile alcohol breathe testing equipment. No local match is required. The proposal also requests waiver of formal bidding requirements because the FDLE program specifies use of this specific equipment which has a sole source manufacturer. Equipment will be distributed to multiple local cities' police departments; departments to receive equipment in this phase include Coral Gables, Hialeah, Homestead, Miami Beach, North Miami Beach, Pinecrest, Miami and Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD). Additional grant funds and equipment are expected to become available in subsequent phases of the program.

II. PRESENT SITUATION

FDLE specified the Florida Alcohol Testing Program using Intoxiliyzer 8000 equipment as one of their legislative priorities in FY 2003. Phase I of the program has allocated \$94,500 to upgrade Miami-Dade County equipment.

III. POLICY CHANGE AND IMPLICATION

This grant will purchase 15 Intoxilyzers (at \$94,500 each) and 13 printers (at \$375 each.) Of these, MDPD will get 6 Intoxilyzers and 5 printers.

IV. ECONOMIC IMPACT

- \$94,500 (FDLE Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Formula Grant Program)
- No local match

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V. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Statewide, FDLE indicates a need for 431 Intoxilyzers and an equal number of printers. FDLE's FY 2003-2004 budget included funds for only 110 units, of which Miami-Dade County is getting funds for 15.

RESOLUTION WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN GOODS AND SERVICES APPROVING CERTAIN MINORITY SET ASIDES AND SUBVENDOR GOALS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO AWARD SAME AND EXECUTE OPTIONS TO RENEW

Department of Procurement Management

I. SUMMARY

Item 2.3 of proposes waiving competitive bids for a \$2.5 million award to Wackenhut Corp. to provide security services for two years at the Miami-Dade County Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC).

II. PRESENT SITUATION

This would amount to a no bid, two-year extension to Wackenhut's five year history of providing security services for the JAC.

III. POLICY CHANGE AND IMPLICATION

The Item states that the "Department of Procurement Management [DPM] conducted extensive market research, and confirmed that while there are several security firms in the market, <u>Wackenhut is the only private company currently providing juvenile</u> <u>detention services in the state of Florida</u>" [emphasis added] (2nd paragraph, handwritten p. 14). [See Section V below for information relative to potential competition.]

IV. ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$2.5 million (JAC)
Item includes a 40% BBE subvendor goal

V. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

- This procurement's title, "Security Guard Services," may have unnecessarily limited consideration of potential responsive, responsible bidders for this contract.
 - Youth Services International (YSI), a subsidiary of the private correctional firm Correctional Services Corp., reportedly operates three juvenile facilities in Florida (Hillsborough Academy in Brandon, Okaloosa Residential Facilities in Crestview and JoAnn Bridges Academy in Greenville) and others nationwide.¹ [See Attachment #1 for information on YSI.] Though YSI is not a security guard service, perhaps they or another firm provides similar juvenile services.
- If the County continues to waive bid requirements for this service, the likelihood of another potential bidder ever becoming established locally is very small or non-existent because there will be no substantive local competitive market within which another firm could compete for business.

¹ Youth Services Corp. web page: www.youthservices.com

Attachment #1

Who we are

YSI is the premier provider in the Youth Care Industry of educational and developmental services that change, dramatically, the thinking and behavior of troubled youth.

We offer the most comprehensive programs and services available to government agencies serving at-risk youth. YSI has been recognized for its dynamic approach to rehabilitating juveniles through integrated programs, staff mentoring and environments to promote learning and change. To support that change, YSI provides extensive Community Based Aftercare Programs in seven states.

Our company's mission is to protect the public by building and operating safe and humane facilities where young men and women receive training, education and treatment designed to help reduce the liklihood of reoffending after their release. Our goal is to effect change in young people's lives. Preparing them to re-enter the community as contributing members of society. Our reputation for achieving positive results has been earned through our superior programs, as well as quality construction and effective management of our facilities

Our Mission Is To:



Develop and provide holistic programs for adjudicated and non-adjudicated youth.

Demonstrate through objective measurements the positive impact YSI has on the youth entrusted to its care.





Develop and maintain the most highly qualified staff in the industry.

Demonstrate through our daily actions our unrelenting commitment to public safety, youth development and employee welfare



Florida	<u>Hillsborough Academy</u> - Brandon <u>Okaloosa Residential Facilities</u> - Crestview <u>JoAnn Bridges Academy</u> - Greenville
Georgia	Paulding Regional Youth Detention Center - Dallas Aftercare Programs (Statewide)
Iowa	Forest Ridge Youth Services - Estherville Aftercare Programs - Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Estherville
Maryland	Charles H. Hickey, Jr. School - Baltimore
Minnesota	Elmore Academy - Elmore Aftercare Program - St. Paul
Missouri	Tarkio Academy - Tarkio Aftercare Program - St. Louis
South Dakota	Chamberlain Academy - Chamberlain Springfield Academy - Springfield
Tennessee	

